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Docket No.: 181-030B

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE PATENT OPERATIONS

In re Application of:

Peter Dronzek

Group Art Unit: 1733

Serial No.: 10/674,116

Examiner: Schatz, Christopher

Filed: September 29, 2003

For: TECHNIQUES FOR LABELING OF PLASTIC, GLASS OR METAL CONTAINERS OR SURFACES WITH POLYMERIC LABELS

New York, NY 10036 October 27, 2006

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR§1.78(a)(3)

SIR:

It is requested that the claim to the priority of Serial No. 09/480,300, filed January 10, 2000 be accepted in the Amendment in the above identified application that is being filed as of the date of this Petition.

The reference required by 35 U.S.C.§120 has been added by Amendment and authorization is give to charge Deposit Account No. 08-1540 for the surcharge set forth in 37 CFR§1.17(t). The entire delay between the date that the claim was due under paragraph (a)(2)(ii) of 37 CFR§1.78(a)(2)(ii) and the date the claim was filed was unintentional.

An early and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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